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## AMUSEMENTS TONIGHT.

AT THE OPERAHOUSE—Bill's Boot.

The Souvenirs are Here!

The first lot (100) of the World's Fair Columbian half dollars, ordered by The Times for its patrons, arrived Tuesday, and the work of distribution has already been commenced. Those having orders on file for coins, with advance-paid subscriptions, will be supplied as rapidly as possible, in the order of precedence as to time. The uniform price of the souvenir coins is \$1.00 each. Agents desirous to secure them should collect that sum from each patron to be supplied, and remit the amount in full. No commission to agents.

Won't see you again until next year.

At 12 o'clock tonight 1892 won't be in it.

France has apparently got past the worst place in the road.

In Missouri there is more than enough colonels for every postoffice.

Fresno is using schoolmarm as a holiday decoration. Aren't they cute?

To the burro trailers: The lions, they will bite you if you don't watch out.

The efforts of the San Francisco Examiner to divide the State of California will fail.

Chicago will probably want to sell those Columbian two-cent stamps for four cents apiece.

Some of the Indians in Oklahoma are ghost dancing, and it looks as if Johnny had better get his gun.

The San Jose Mercury seems to have a cold in the head. It sings it: "Wade till the clouds roll by."

Tammay keeps on saying it don't want anything from Cleveland, just as though it expected people to believe it.

They are called "trusts," but some way the people don't seem to have enough trust in them to last over night.

Our delegates to the silver conference at Brussels are on their way home, but there is no danger of the country tipping up when they come ashore.

Los lions are turning up all around San Bernardino county now has one up Lytle Creek way. Perhaps it is the one those hunters lost out in Elysian Park!

Col. Tom OCHILTREE is on the briny en route home. Now, if there is anybody who has fears of the cholera he don't know the difference between one pestilence and another.

The Marquis of Lorne bankers to be poet laureate of England. Perhaps that is just the thing he is fit for—why not try him on? He isn't worth a bawbee for anything else.

There was one mighty good thing about that Panama scandal; it served to draw attention from that silver statue of Ada Rehan and those gabbling girls that said she wasn't fit to sculp.

It behoves every true and loyal citizen of Southern California to stand up against the studied efforts of certain people in the northern end of the State to divide this great commonwealth.

A petrified man has been discovered in a North Carolina cave, but as he had no clothes on they were unable to make out whether he was just a plain tar heel or one of those paleozoic wretches that we read about.

The Chicago Inter Ocean recently returned, that there were no more "heresy trials" sight, and the next day the Associated Press telegraphed the three columns of solid nonpareil about the Briggs case.

WILLIAM IRELAND, JR., who desires reappointment to his present position of State Mineralogist, is recognized as a very capable mining engineer and mineralogist, and has done good work in the Mining Bureau, of which he had charge for the past four years. Gov. Markham will hardly make a mistake by reappointing him.

The Valley Hunt of Pasadena has its annual tournament on Monday, January 2, and it promises to be unusually attractive. There will be no tobogganing or fancy skating at Pasadena, but the management promises to show the visitors from "back East" something that will make their eye balls glisten in the way of roses and other seductive blossoms of the field and garden. There will be decorated six-inch-tall tally-ho's; picnicking in mid-winter under the unbranched shade of live oaks on the green grass that grows all around, 'round, 'round, and other features which will serve to make the occasion a gala one in every respect.

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A disclaimer on our part of any thought or intention of cracking the whip, and a calm submission of the fact that Southern California is an integral part of the State, which, for the first time in our political history, now seeks this honor for one of her citizens, raises the choler of the Examiner again, and it yells, "You want the earth and all the fullness thereof, do you? You are going to foreclose a mortgage on us. You are trying to hog the game."

Now, what is to be made from attempting to argue a question in such a way? There is no common basis of fairness and decency to appeal to. There is an absolute *non sequitur* between the premises and the argument as put forth by the up-country press which is fighting White. They are manufacturing their case as they go along, and they hope to achieve success by appealing to the narrow jealousies, self-interest and prejudice of the Northern legislators.

It will do no good to remind them that this question of sectionalism was never sprung at all until they sprung it. The whip was never cracked at all until they lashed the air with it. Those who are claiming the earth and the fullness thereof are not the people of Southern California who now put in their first request for the Senatorship, but the people in and about San Francisco who have always hogged it and who want to go on hogging it.

Meh of the North! ever since California has been a State the two highest offices within her gift have been in your keeping. And what have you done with this beneficence? You have bartered it and sold it as soon sold his birthright. You have auctioned off these high and honorable positions to your Money Bags as the consuls ships were sold in the corrupt and failing days of Rome. You have debased our State in the eyes of the Nation and of the world. You have placed a great blot upon the escutcheon of American civilization. You have dragged our most precious privileges in the dust, and have spit upon our honor and patriotism.

In this Library Edition will be printed a conspicuous notice to the effect that further information about Los Angeles, Pasadena, Pomona, San Bernardino, Riverside, Redlands, Santa Ana, Orange, Anaheim, Santa Barbara, San Buenaventura, Santa Paula and other places in the South will be supplied upon application by letter to the boards of trade, chambers of commerce, bureaus of information, or the principal newspaper in each place.

The proposed Library Edition of The Times will, it is estimated, secure for this issue from fifty to two hundred readers in each of the 4000 libraries, making altogether an enormous aggregate, thus widely disseminating valuable information about the country.

The time is opportune for this work, and we aim to get the proposed edition into the mails before New Year's day. We supply the papers at the regular rate, pay postage and send direct from this office.

In addition, we propose to send, at our own expense, a copy of the SATURDAY TIMES AND WEEKLY MIRROR for December 31, 1892, to each of these 4000 libraries. This issue of the weekly will contain further fresh information about the country, especially prepared for the occasion.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

To secure the complete carrying out of this enterprise, small contributions from the people of each section concerned are invited. Subscriptions of \$1 to \$8 from single individuals will be received, and should be sent before Saturday, December 31.

SPECIAL OFFER—With every lot of 50 cents and \$4.00 we will give one World's Fair Souvenir Coin (described in detail heretofore); and with every lot of 100 copies and \$6.00 (6 cents per copy) we will give one Souvenir Coin costing one dollar. Coins ready now.

THIS OFFER IS OPEN TILL DECEMBER 31 ONLY.

THE TIMES-MIRROR COMPANY.

Times Building, Los Angeles, Cal.

The Appeal to Local Prejudice.

The San Francisco Examiner follows up its simple and childish line of argument against Stephen M. White by affecting the pharisee and hypocrite. Its hostility to White had its origin in the personal dislike of young Mr. Hearst, and that dislike was founded on the fact that when the elder Hearst bought his seat in the United States Senate, paying therefor, according to current belief, the sum of \$100,000, White had the hardihood to protest against this corrupt practice. He did not believe in this corrupt practice. He did not believe in the system of generous, fair-minded neighbors and associates in business so as to cement our partnership more firmly! Do you think that you can continue to debate our citizenship and sell our franchises, and always drag us with you? The time will come when this sectional hostility which you are doing so much to create will be answered and advice given, will alone be worth a year's subscription to any practical horticulturist.

It need scarcely be added that reliability, accuracy and fairness will be distinguishing features of this, as of the other departments of THE TIMES.

A good beginning is made in today's issue, under the titles of "ORCHARD AND FARM, RANCHO AND STOCKYARD," the latter appearing on page 11.

One Cent a Word.

A notice of interest to advertisers in the Classified Line department of THE TIMES will be found at the head of the third page this morning.

PLEASE observe that when an American gets tangled up in a duel over in Europe somebody gets shot. At Monte Carlo a Russian and a Brooklyn (N. Y.) man became hateful of each other; pistols were ordered at twenty-five paces with liberty to advance, whereupon the American shooter shot to kill, and did kill on the spot. The habit of picking quarrels over there with citizens of the great republic is not likely to spread.

We have no hope of securing justice by appealing to a man whose real cause of hostility is found in the fact that our representative protested against the barker and sale of a Senatorship. It will do no good to answer the ostensible arguments of him and his kind, because these arguments do not represent their real reasons. They are not open to conviction by any system of logic.

It will do no good to denounce their men of straw, because these have been set up only for a blind. We do not propose to waste much ammunition upon scare crows. We know the fellow who is fighting Southern California and Steve White. His name is Boodle.

If you mischievous reactionaries of the North are hankering to have the riot act read to you, keep right on in your blind, bigoted and blatant way.

CERTAIN newspapers in Northern California, notably the San Francisco Examiner and the Oakland Times, are being consumed with the fires of sectionalism, and are so incensed at Southern California that they may be expected to break out most any day with a vociferous demand that the State be divided. This studied effort to create a feeling of animosity between Northern and Southern California is most mischievous, impolitic and unpatriotic, and should be stigmatized by every true Californian who loves the land of gold in all its matchless magnificence and undividedness. Because a man from the South is ambitious to be United States Senator, and because his neighbors are loyal with him in his ambition, is no good reason why his opponents should want this great State dismembered, especially as no fall-

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(6) General telegraphic news and Market Reports; advertisements.

(7) General telegraphic news; local reports; Southern California correspondence; The Weather and Crops; advertisements.

(8) William T. Stead (special London correspondence); In Old Spain—Los Angeles Artists in the Land of Cervantes; advertisements.

PART II.

(9) The Star of Stars—The Story of the Star of Bethlehem; Columbian Coins—The Scramble for the Souvenir in Chicago; A. Rehan in Clay; What THE TIMES "Columbia" Press Will Rest Upon; Vanderbilt Mining Camp; miscellany.

(10) Our Boys and Girls; Weather Forecasts; County Finances; THE TIMES EAGLE; The Law and the Ladies; The Saunterer; Frauds Perpetrated by Land Sharks; miscellany, poetry, etc.

(11) Premiums for TIMES subscribers; (12) Huxley at Home (London letter); Litterateurs (New York letter); Cremated in His Cell; Pawbakers' Shops; Sporting Notes; miscellany; advertisements.

In wrappers, ready for mailing, 5 cents per copy; by the year, only \$1.80.

..Orchard and Farm—Rancho and Stockyard."

Recognizing the great and increasing importance of the horticultural industry in Southern California, THE TIMES has determined to devote more space than ever to this subject, and, commencing with this date, will print a page in the daily every Saturday, and also in the weekly edition, devoted to rural topics.

While the larger portion of the space will be devoted to horticulture, other rural industries, such as general agriculture, stock-raising, dairying, poultry and beekeeping will receive due attention.

Southern California methods of agriculture, due to peculiar features of soil and climate, are so different from those pursued in the East as to render agricultural papers of that section comparatively useless here as guides to the farmer. Special pains will be taken to make this department of practical value to the country readers of THE TIMES, as well as to that class of city readers who have a rural home "coming on." It is also intended that this department shall serve as a medium for a weekly interchange of thought between practical tillers of the soil, who often encounter puzzling problems in their occupation which others, perhaps, may have satisfactorily solved. The subdivision devoted to Insect Pests, in which inquiries will be answered and advice given, will alone be worth a year's subscription to any practical horticulturist.

When, for coin, you bestow the two United States Senatorships upon two of your citizens did you hear any cry of "sectionalism" from the South? After Senator Hearst had been called to another sphere, in which the seats are not for sale, you let his mantle fall on Mr. Felton. Felton and Stanford both claim a residence in little San Mateo county, a practical suburb of San Francisco. Did we raise any objection then on account of sectionalism? Did we accuse you of wanting the earth and the fullness thereof? Did we call you hogs? The worst that you ever heard from Southern California was a mild protest against the corrupt method by which it had fallen into of selling these seats, instead of bestowing them as an honorable distinction. Our greatest fault was that we protested too mildly.

And now if you stick to these shallow pretences, and call into play all of your sectionalism to defeat an honorable ambition and a fair request on our part, do you think you are doing anything to bind together in unity this great State of California? Are you playing the part of generous, fair-minded neighbors and associates in business so as to cement our partnership more firmly? Do you think that you can continue to debate our citizenship and sell our franchises, and always drag us with you? The time will come when this sectional hostility which you are doing so much to create will return to plague you.

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minded man has any right to assume that Stephen M. White would be the Senator for any section. California, one and undivided, is the watchword. Any man or any newspaper that squints in any other direction is a traitor and seventeen distinct and unqualified sons-of-a-gun!

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**"THE LAND WE LIVE IN."**

A Goodly Heritage, Flowing With  
Milk and Honey,

And Abounding With the Choicest  
Products of the Soil.

Southern California Described in  
Condensed Form.

Los Angeles, the Metropolis, and Its Won-  
derful Growth—The Six Southern  
Counties—Manifold Resources  
and Sober Facts.

Between Point Conception and the  
Mexican line lies that portion of the  
State known as Southern California, an  
embryo empire, containing 40,000  
square miles, which may, with justice,  
claim to be without a peer on the face  
of the globe, whether considered in  
regard to perfection of climate or variety  
and value of the products of its soil.  
The whole of California is good, but,  
owing to the kind provision of nature,  
this section is the *creme de la creme* of  
the Golden State. The region referred  
to includes the six counties of Los An-  
geles, San Bernardino, Orange, San  
Diego, Ventura and Santa Barbara, with  
a population of about 200,000 souls.  
It is a noteworthy fact, as plainly  
indicating the attractive character  
of this part of the State, that during  
the decade from 1880 to 1890  
these six counties, while containing only  
about 15 per cent of the population of  
California, received nearly 60 per cent  
of the increase of rural population in  
the State during that period. This  
indeed the region of ideal country  
homes. Here may be enjoyed per-  
fection the much-talked-of *rus in urbe*—  
all the best features of country and  
city life combined, without the draw-  
backs of either.

"Yes, but," the doubting Eastern  
reader may say, "all that is only  
for rich men!" Not so, gentle  
reader. On the contrary, one of  
the strongest claims which Southern  
California makes is that these  
delightful rural homes, which in  
the Eastern States are only within  
the reach of the wealthy, may here be ac-  
quired within a few years by any in-  
dustrious and provident man. There is  
no region in the world where such prof-  
its are made from the cultivation of the  
soil as here, while, under this general il-  
luminate the work is trifling compared with  
the heavy farms of the Eastern  
States. Here the oranges and  
grapes of Spain, the wine grapes and  
prunes of France, the olives of  
Italy, the lemons of Sicily and the figs  
of Smyrna yield earlier and more prof-  
itably than in their native land, re-  
turning after a few years profits of  
from one to six hundred dollars an acre.  
Or five acres an industrious man may  
support a family in comfort; on ten  
acres he may grow well-to-do.

Marvelous is the only word that fitsly  
describes the progress of Southern Cali-  
fornia during the past ten years. At  
the beginning of that period the coun-  
try was composed mainly of a number  
of large Spanish grants, upon which  
cattle grazed and trees browsed. The  
traveler could ride for half a day in  
many directions without encountering a  
sign of civilization. There was one  
main line of railroad and two or three  
small branch lines. Los Angeles was a  
sleepy, semi-Mexican city of about  
thirteen thousand inhabitants, its build-  
ings mostly of unbaked bricks. Now  
orchards, vineyards and beautiful rural  
homes extend for miles and miles along  
the dozen lines of railroad which center  
in Los Angeles, and scores of important  
and flourishing towns have sprung into  
existence, where, in 1882, the jack  
rabbit, friendless and unprotected among  
the sage brush, Los Angeles, meanwhile,  
has become a handsome American me-  
tropolis of 60,000 people.

Such are the changes that ten brief  
years have wrought. Who shall say  
what is in store for this city and section  
within the next decade? Without doubt,  
the closing year of this century will see  
the Nicaragua Canal completed, an im-  
provement which will double the value  
of every acre in Southern California.  
There will be at least two more trans-  
continental lines of railroad, a deep sea  
harbor at our gates, and a trainload of  
valuable horticultural products leaving  
for Eastern markets in place of every  
cargo that is now shipped. Southern  
California, the great agricultural material  
is now fairly started on the high road to  
prosperity. If you would travel with  
her, you should lose no time in getting  
aboard.

Southern California is rich in interest  
to the student of history. It has been  
under four flags—that of Spain, of Mex-  
ico, of the provisional government and  
of the United States. The old missions,  
relics of an era that has passed, at-  
tract many visitors.

Los Angeles county contains about  
4000 square miles, or 2,500,000 acres,  
of which about four-fifths is capable  
of cultivation, the balance being moun-  
tainous. The shore line is about eighty-  
five miles in length, from the point  
back a distance of from ten to  
fifty miles from the ocean. Within  
this area may be found a remarkable  
variety of scenery, soil and climate.  
There are low, moist valleys, elevated  
mesas, rolling foothills and rugged  
mountains, sometimes snow capped in  
winter.

Horticulture is developing with re-  
markable rapidity in Los Angeles  
county. There are now over one million  
five hundred thousand fruit trees  
growing in the county, and orchards are  
being planted on every hand.

The population of Los Angeles county  
has increased from 33,381 in 1880 to  
101,454 in 1890, and the assessed  
valuation of property (after equaliza-  
tion) from \$20,655,294 in 1882 to  
\$82,805,965 in 1892.

Pasadena, the "Crown of the Valley,"  
is a beautiful little city, elevated sev-  
eral hundred feet above Los Angeles,  
and seven miles distant. It is almost as  
famous in the East as the leading city.  
From a sheep pasture it has grown,  
within seventeen years, to a city of  
over five thousand population, with  
some of the most beautiful homes to be  
found in California.

The San Gabriel Valley, with its ri-  
pening oranges, on trees that stand in  
the shadow of mountains snow-capped  
in winter, is one of the beauty spots  
of the globe, that once seen is never for-  
gotten.

One of the marvelous towns of Los  
Angeles county is Pomona, which,  
founded only ten years ago, and grow-  
ing entirely on the products of the soil,  
now has a population of 4000, and an  
income from agricultural products of  
nearly five hundred thousand dollars a  
year.

The seaside resorts of Los Angeles  
county are noted for their excellent  
surf bathing, which may be enjoyed  
the greater part of the year. Santa  
Monica, the oldest resort, is a little  
city of considerable importance, noted  
for its beautiful gardens. One of the

largest wharves in the world is now be-  
ing built by the Southern Pacific Com-  
pany, near Santa Monica. Redondo  
Beach, a comparatively new candidate  
for public favor, has grown rapidly,  
and does a large coast shipping busi-  
ness. Long Beach is a quiet family res-  
ort, with a magnificent stretch of  
sand.

San Pedro, the chief port of Los An-  
geles, has recently been recommended  
by the Government Engineers as a site  
for a deep sea harbor, to cost nearly  
three million dollars.

Santa Catalina Island is a romantic,  
mountainous isle, about twenty-five  
miles long, and about the same distance  
from the mainland. The scenery, fish-  
ing, boating and bathing attract thou-  
sands in summer.

Los Angeles city was founded Sep-  
tember 1, 1781, as an offshoot of the  
San Gabriel mission. It grew slowly  
until about seven years ago. To-  
day it is, at the lowest estimate, 60,-  
000.

Los Angeles covers thirty-six square  
miles, a succession of hills, valleys and  
plains, affording beautiful residence  
sites. The city is fifteen miles from the  
ocean, about five miles from the mount-  
ains and 300 feet above sea level.

The value of buildings erected in Los  
Angeles during the past ten years is not  
less than \$20,000,000, including a  
\$500,000 courthouse and a \$200,000  
city hall.

Los Angeles has an internal sewer  
system and an outlet sewer to the  
ocean voted for. Bonds to the value of  
\$500,000 have also been voted for a  
complete municipal water system.

The city is entirely lighted by elec-  
tricity.

The assessed value of city property  
has risen from \$9,000,000 in 1882 to  
\$45,342,020 in 1892. The nineteen  
blocks hold over \$10,750,000 in de-  
posits. Business is good and the streets  
thronged with people.

The population of Los Angeles is es-  
sentially a refined one and fully abreast  
of modern progress.

The future of Los Angeles, based on  
its commanding location at the foot of  
the mountains, and at the gate of the  
shortest route from the Pacific to the  
Atlantic, is assured.

Los Angeles abounds with excellent  
schools, churches and societies. The  
public library, with 25,000 volumes,  
circulates 200,000 annually.

Twelve lines of railroad center in Los  
Angeles; there are 100 miles of street  
road, mostly cable and electric; 100 miles  
of graded and gravelled streets; twelve miles  
of paved streets, and 100 miles of cement sidewalk.

There are about two hundred manu-  
facturing establishments in Los An-  
geles, small and great, and profitable  
openings for many more.

San Bernardino county is one of the  
largest counties in the United States.  
It is the center of the orange industry.  
Riverside and Redlands, two cities of  
this county, are marvels of semi-tropic  
climate and rapid growth.

In San Bernardino county the utilization  
of water for irrigation has at-  
tained its greatest perfection.

Orange county, a small county which  
was segregated from Los Angeles a few  
years ago, contains a greater proportion  
of first-class arable land than any other  
county in Southern California. Santa  
Ana, Anaheim, Orange and Tustin are  
housed for their beautiful and productive  
homes.

San Diego, the most southern county  
of the State, has a long seashore and a  
temperate climate, the development of  
which has only just begun. Besides  
its horticultural resources, it has  
valuable mines. San Diego city has  
the only natural harbor in the State,  
south of San Francisco.

Ventura county, the northern neighbor  
of Los Angeles, is picturesque and  
largely mountainous, with charming  
valleys. Apricots, beans, honey and  
peaches are its chief products at present.

Santa Barbara is a large county, with  
a varied climate. The county seat is a  
romantic, sheltered spot, where trop-  
ical vegetation flourishes. Olives and  
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## ARIZONA NEWS.

Another Large Irrigation Enterprise Under Way.

The Mining Town of Greenwood to Be Revived—A Man Who Dreams to Some Purpose—Arizona Quail for California.

Special Correspondence to The Times.

TUCSON, Dec. 28.—The latest irrigation enterprise in Arizona is one in the southern part of Mohave county. A syndicate of Eastern capitalists will build it.

A dam will be constructed across Spotted Cañon, on Bill Williams Fork, about fifteen miles from the town of Signal. Thousands of acres of rich land near Planet, and, in fact, all along Bill Williams Fork, will be reclaimed with the water from this immense reservoir that will be constructed. A three-foot steel pipe will conduct the water to the lands, from five to fifteen miles below the dam.

South of the Fork are thousands of acres of rich gravel land, and it is the intention of this company to inaugurate a system of hydraulic mining in that section.

The Star is of the opinion that the Arizona land boom of 1893 will extend from Yuma to Nogales. Many thousands of acres of land will be filled upon within this area of Arizona during the next twelve months, as the work of reclamation by irrigating canals is going on in every section of Southern Arizona.

At the Land Office in this city it is reported that most of the irrigation canals in Arizona are taken up. California cattle have come in largely, particularly under the Gila Bend Canal.

A man dreaming with good results is A. B. Eliot, who has gone into the Bradshaw Mountains to work the claim of which he dreamed. An assay with a bound stone was lost to view among the blazing timbers.—Detroit Tribune.

How the Ancients Moved Stone.

An unfinished obelisk in a quarry at Sene shows how the ancients separated these immense monoliths from the native rock.

A groove marking the boundary of the stone contained a number of holes into which wooden wedges were firmly driven.

The groove was then filled with water and the block was then pushed forward upon rollers made from palm trees to a large timber raft on the edge of the Nile, where it remained until the next inundation floated the raft to the city where the obelisk was to be set up.

Thousands of hands then pushed it on rollers up an inclined plane to the front of the temple, where it was to stand. The pedestal had previously been placed in position, and a firm causeway of sand covered with planks led to the top of it. Then, by means of rollers, levers and ropes made of date palms the obelisk was gradually hoisted into an upright position. In no case has an obelisk been found to be out of the true perpendicular.—Public Opinion.

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A man who goes to sleep and dreams that his brother is being killed by a wild tribe in central Africa, and who afterward hears that he did meet with that fate at the precise time when the vision occurred, need not fly to any supernatural explanation for the phenomenon. It is quite different when a dream tells of something which is to happen in a few months' time. In the latter case most people will prefer to join in the explanation, attributing the fact to a law of coincidence or to a simple delusion. We must do science the justice to admit that, if she increases the gloominess of life in some directions, as by her doctrine of the struggle for existence, she decreases it in other respects, one of which is by aiding in the gradual banishment of any confidence in visions and omens and "weirdness" generally.—London Telegraph.

A Good Idea in Wedding Presents.

"At a fashionable silversmith's the other day," says a woman, "while hesitating between a bonbon spoon and a pair of forks, my husband was attracted to a man in a silken waistcoat who was offering a purchase, gave me the name of the same brand, and the name for whom I was choosing a wedding gift. He was evidently a friend of the groom, for he directed his spoon to the bride, care of the groom, and gave the latter's house address. This, it appears, is a new wrinkle of fashion frequently carried out nowadays. The innovation appeals to me as having a foundation in reason. Undoubtedly many unacknowledged wedding gifts are such from the fact that the bride receives no impression from the strange names accompanying them. If the card becomes separated from the gift, as easily and often happens, it is no recognizable record left of the donor."

Denver parties will soon put a large force of men to work on the old Green mine in Mohave county. The mines, after lying idle a dozen years, were re-opened and some work done which opened up a large body of high-grade bullion ore. Every day were sent out to it, and on their return thousands of dollars will be invested, and the old town of Greenwood will once more be.

Low prices of silver notwithstanding, silver chelidoring is being actively carried on at the Klein mill, in the Globe district.

Parties have taken up land in the petrified forests of Northern Arizona and are putting up mills to pulverize the abundance of chaledony for use in place of emery, it being harder and more valuable for grinding purposes. Their right to do this will be contested.

The admission of Arizona is being opposed by Senator Platt of Connecticut, chairman of the Senate Committee on Territories. Asked why, he said: "I am opposed to the admission of Arizona at this time for the reason that the Territory has not been organized and a very large debt is also due to the country on account of some features in the constitution they have adopted that I would rather not see there." As regards the character and intelligence of our people the Senator is silent. Other States have been admitted with half the present population of Arizona—about seventy thousand.

The various county commissioners are gathering creditable displays of natural products and manufactured articles for the World's Fair, and Arizona will surely attract great attention for the magnificence of its display. In mineral it will equal, if not surpass, any other State or Territory.

A pointer for capital is given by the Mohave Miner: "What is the matter with Arizona? In a large electric plant at this place from which we supply all the mines and most of the north of us with all necessary power. Hoisting plants and mill power can be supplied in this manner very cheaply. Wires laid a distance of sixty miles with very little diminution of power. No wood or water would be needed at the mines except for domestic use, and the cost of working the mines would be reduced fully one-half. This is a pointer for some brainy capitalist to freeze onto."

**Murder Does Not Always Out.**

The old adage that "murder will out" is, after all, more or less of a fiction. Scores of murders go unpunished every year throughout the civilized world, largely for lack of proof against the murderers. The resources of civilization are open to criminals as well as to officers. It is possible for a murderer to commit his crime and then be whirled hundreds of miles away before the deed is discovered. He knows just what methods will be used to secure his capture, and he may have planned how to thwart such attempts before they made.

**Under "The Lost Chord" Was Composed.**

Under very remarkable circumstances was "The Lost Chord" composed by that gifted musician, Sir Arthur Sullivan. One night he was in the room next to that in which his brother was dying. He had been watching at the bedside of the dying man and was thoroughly tired out. Sitting down before an ornate piano, he chance in the room, he found the noble words before him. He did not rise from his seat until he had composed the music which has since thrilled the people.—London Star.

Murder is often and even usually discovered and punished, but there are many

## DREAMS SCIENTIFICALLY EXPLAINED.

They Are Mental Vibrations Caused by Indigestion, Pain, Fever and Noise.

What the actual scientific view of dreaming now may be inferred from a lecture delivered on the subject at the Royal Institution by Dr. B. W. Richardson. In the poet's view dreams are visitors from the ivory gate, or, as Shakespeare calls them, "children of an idle brain"; but science is more prosaic and more logical. It may be said, "thinking more than the common vibrations of terrestrial media acting upon a corporeal vibratory," like the sound heard on a wire in tension long after it has been struck by the musician.

"All musical instruments dream," says Dr. Richardson, "after we cease to play them, and if we bring the microphone into use we can hear the dream. This is as new poetry as science will permit us to approach in explaining the phenomena of thought going on during sleep, for the accomplished lectures proceeded to inform his audience that dreams are all explanations of physical phenomena—there is no mystery about them, save that which springs from "blindness of facts."

After dividing dreams into subjective and objective, and mixtures of both, he went on to class among the first species dreams produced by indigestion, pain or fever, while objective dreams are those started by noises or other events going on outside the sleeper. This is a fair sample of the ruthless way in which science dispenses of "superstition." Against the imaginative view of the significance of dreams men of science protest, and will probably continue to protest as long as there are men of science.

Perhaps the most practical lesson taught at the Royal Institution lecture was one which may assist us to know which of our dreams are signs that something is wrong with our bodily organization. As a rule, said the lecturer, it is better not to dream at all. Dreamlessness is usually a sign of all round health. A child's dreams are invariably signs of disturbed health and should be regarded with anxiety. For adults it is a good thing to know that we may be sure that our brains are being overstrained when our nightly dreams relate to events of the day, and if we actually seek in dreams continuing our daily work this is a danger sign which must never be disregarded.

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# SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.



PASADENA.

Last Days of Leap Year Taken Advantage of by the Ladies.

Masonic Installation—Various Items of Local Interest—Personal Notes—A Batch of Brevities—People Coming and Going.

The most elaborate event of the social season so far in Pasadena was the complimentary german tendered at the Opera-house Hall Thursday night by a number of the society ladies of town to their gentlemen friends. The spacious ballroom was tastefully trimmed with evergreens, significant designs, such as hearts, broken arrows, etc., occupying prominent places on the wall. The cotillion was preceded by a short programme of dances, which were refreshingly novel. Excellent music was furnished by Lowenstein's orchestra of Los Angeles. The progressive german was happily led by Miss Wilde, who executed her somewhat difficult task with consummate grace and skill. The favors were handsome and of novel designs, and were in keeping with the general excellence of the entertainment afforded the appreciative and altogether much-pleased gentlemen present.

The patresses were Mrs. Dobbins, Mrs. Dowdworth and Mrs. Stinson. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. George F. Granger, Dr. and Mrs. F. R. Rowland, Mr. and Mrs. R. Vanderveen, Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Lovell, the Misses Brown of Hartford, Conn.; Miss Sampson of Denver, Miss Winslow, the Misses Lowe, Miss Cooley, Miss Wilde, Miss Shoemaker, Miss Greble, Messrs. Bleekman, Lovell, Mitchell, Burn, Morris, and Misses Anna and S. Halesteed of Alabama, Misses Hastings and Crank of Sierra Madre, Newton Leithhead, W. R. Staats, Hiram Staats, Mr. Evans, E. H. Rogers, Thad Lowe, Mr. Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Chapman, H. C. Brown and W. S. Gilmore.

Some of the noticeable gowns were: Mrs. Dobbins, brocade velvet; Mrs. Dowdworth, wine-colored satin; Mrs. Stinson, black velvet; Mrs. Lovell, black and white China silk with pale blue trimmings; Mrs. Granger, Nile green cashmere with brocade trimmings; Miss Dowdworth, lavender brocade; Miss Florence Dowdworth, yellow silk with black and white stripes; Mrs. Elizabeth Hall, white China silk and white guaze; Miss Brown, white chiffon; Miss Lowe, pink crepe; Miss Zoe Lowe, white guaze over yellow silk; Mrs. Winslow, pink guaze; Mrs. Dobbins, lemon-colored silk; Miss Florence Dobbins, red guaze; Miss Cooley, flowered chiffon with red trimmings; Miss Sampson, gray chiffon; Miss Wilde, figured white China silk; Miss Shoemaker, white cashmere, chiffon trimmings.

MASONS MAKE MERRY.

Interesting exercises were held Thursday evening in Masonic Hall on the occasion of the installation of the officers elected of Pasadena Lodge No. 272, F. and A. M., and Pasadena Chapter No. 108, Order Eastern Star, the officers of the latter organization being first installed by Mr. Paul, Assistant Grand Conductor, as follows: Messrs. Hester, M. W. Edward Gaylord, W. P. Evelyn Crowell, A. M.; Carrie Slater, Secretary; James Buchanan, Treasurer; John Steers, Auditor; Lillian Drury, Assistant Conductor; Eliza Willard, C. Grace Wiley, M. Carrie Hoff, Ada; Eva Grace Wiley; Lizzie Hatchelor, Esther; Sadie McLean, Electra Sarah Gastineau, Marion; D. H. Anderson, General Secretary; Mrs. Sentinel; Annie Collins, Organist. Following this ceremony Mrs. Peasey was presented with a handsome Past Master's gold jewel by the chapter, the presentation being made by Mr. D. H. Anderson.

The Blue Lodge installation was conducted by the retiring Master, G. B. Ocheltree, who was afterward also pleasantly remembered by his brethren, who, through the spokesman, Charles A. Gardner, presented him with a beautiful Past Master's jewel.

Refreshments were then served, and the pleasant evening was rounded out with a vocal and instrumental programme, which was heartily enjoyed by all present.

Messrs. Fred Viall, David Frazier and Joe Solomon, three popular guests at the Carlton, very pleasantly entertained the other inmates of the house Thursday evening by a minstrel show. While the performers were limited in numbers, the trio presented much mirth and the entertainment never lacked interest.

In fact, the fun raced fast and furious from start to finish, and when the performance closed the participants were almost exhausted on account of having been compelled to remain to repeat the show.

Fresh jokes were cracked, original songs sung and all sorts of local hits showered upon the attentive listeners, most of whom received individual attention. The young gents displayed marked talent, and gave an entertainment that was thoroughly enjoyed throughout.

ANOTHER ADVERTISEMENT.

Pasadena has received another honor in the appointment of W. H. Hill by the County of Los Angeles to the office of Commissioner of the State's Fair Commissioners to prepare an exhibit of large-scale photographs from the section of the industrial and agricultural products of the State.

The awarding of this important contract to Mr. Hill is a deserved tribute to his skill as a photographer and is to be appreciated all the more from the fact that several competitors were in the field.

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Al Butterworth, a former deputy sheriff of Altadena, and now superintendent of the State jail at San Quentin prison, is in town for a short stay, looking up his many acquaintances in this section. He will return North tomorrow.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Church of Our Saviour, San Gabriel, will have their annual meeting at the Hotel San Gabriel, East San Gabriel, Wednesday evening, January 4, at which the two flocks, *A Box of Monkeys*, and *The Jack Tuck* will be presented by local talent. All are invited. Details will be given at 8 o'clock.

Additional subscriptions were received yesterday for the Pasadena painting at the World's Fair. The matter is in charge of a committee composed of A. R. Metcalfe, W. M. Hill, J. C. Buchanan, W. McDonald, and W. H. Rowland, who have depended upon it with necessary zeal. Voluntary contributions, however, are solicited.

The Ladies' Central Committee of the Young Men's Christian Association will give its annual New Year reception on Monday evening, January 2, in Strong's Hall from 6 to 8 o'clock. During the evening there will be music, recitations and singing. A pleasant time as usual can be had.

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# CITY BRIEFS

NEWS AND BUSINESS.

## The Weather.

U. S. WEATHER OFFICE, LOS ANGELES, Dec. 30, 1892.—At 5 a.m. the barometer registered 30.19<sup>0</sup>; at 5 p.m. 30.25. Thermometer at corresponding hours showed 50° and —. Maximum temperature, 67°; minimum temperature, 40°. Character of weather, clear.

## WEATHER BUREAU.

Reports received at Los Angeles on December 30. Observations taken at all stations at 8 p.m. 75th meridian time:

PLACE OF OBSERVATION.	Barometer.	Temperature.	Rain in last 12 hours.
Los Angeles	30.25	50	62
San Diego	30.24	50	64
Fresno	30.24	50	62
Monterey	30.44	50	60
Sacramento	30.36	50	58
Bakersfield	30.38	50	56
Burbank	30.40	50	54
Eureka	30.48	44	50
Roseburg	30.48	44	50
	30.51	44	50

The praise service, which was postponed on account of rain, will surely be given to-morrow night at the First Congregational Church, corner Sixth and Hill streets. The programme will consist of fifteen solos, three of the organ, and the "Mistletoe" by Hotel. The following soloists will take part: Mrs. Anner, Mrs. Llewellyn, Miss Metcalf, Mr. D. H. Morrison and F. A. Bacon.

Spend your New Year in taking a trip to San Diego and Hotel del Coronado. The new hotel opens for a ride on the new line will invigorate you, so that when you return home you will commence the new year with increased energy. Trains leave Santa Fe station at 8:15 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.; \$5 round trip on Saturday and Sunday, the 31st, and \$4.50 on Monday.

Hundreds of people are now visiting the Johnson Photo Studio. This popular and elegantly appointed gallery now ranks with the finest on the Pacific Coast. The grand reduction for these strictly first-class photos will last but a short time longer, only No. 514 Main Spring street, over Main Spring Store.

The mammoth wharf at Santa Monica affords the best fishing on the coast. Sunday trains on the Southern Pacific run to the end of the wharf. Last train leaves the wharf at 2:30 p.m. to give all time for a round trip to Santa Monica proper.

The Pitcher & Gray Co.'s big stock of clothing, hats and men's furnishings goods is being closed out at private sale (retail) for about half price. The goods are new and first class just such as seen for twice the price elsewhere. No. 223 South Spring street.

Several new pupils are expected at St. Hilda's Hall after the Christmas vacation. The primary department now has its full number and pupils under 14 need apply for the present term. Applications for a term will be registered according to date.

The football team of the University of Southern California will play the Santa Monica team at the polo grounds, Santa Monica, next Monday at 2 p.m. Street cars running direct to the grounds make connection with Southern Pacific trains.

Mrs. Llewellyn will sing at Central Methodist Episcopal Church, Fifteenth street, Sunday at 11 o'clock. Sermon by the pastor, Rev. F. M. Larkin. Preaching at 7:30 p.m. by Rev. G. F. Bovard. "The Week" Preacher, Rev. W. H. Clegg, also present.

The next Exchange party will be given on Friday next, December 30, at Armory Hall. Tickets \$1, to be sold by committee only. All information to be obtained at Woman's Exchange, No. 223 Broadway. No tickets sold at the door.

Mr. Rockwell's lamp heating stove awarded first premium. Beautiful in design, perfect in operation, and odorless. Will heat and light any room. Send for circular, F. E. Browne, No. 314 South Spring street.

It may not be generally known that the same model of used in a grate to heat one room, if used in a F. E. Browne's hot air furnaces, will heat the whole house. Call and see them at No. 314 South Spring street.

First Baptist Church, Morning: Mr. Upright tells of missionary work in the heart of China. Evening: Lecture on "The Man in Heaven." Sunday-school at 9:30.

The mountains, orchards and vineyards along the kite-shaped track of the Southern California Railway (Santa Fe route) never looked better. Only \$2.05 for the round trip Sunday.

A new exchange shop of the Wagner stock in business, No. 145 South Spring street, before purchasing your holiday goods—diamonds, jewelry, watches and silverware.

Every interior and seashore point of interest in Southern California is reached by the Southern Pacific Company. On Sunday one fare for the round trip from Los Angeles.

Excursions to Catalina, until further notice every Saturday, Enquire of Wilmot Transportation Company, 130 W. Second street. Good hotels on the island.

Call and see Dr. Charles A. White's celebrated "Health and Hygiene" practice. So holds Esq., No. 208 South Spring street. Motor power.

Happy New Year to all, and one fare to all points Sunday, January 1, 1893, on the Southern California Railway (Santa Fe route).

If your boy's shoes don't wear, buy the "Iron Glands," Price, \$2. 42 50. H. H. Hewes, sole agent, No. 105 North Spring.

The ex-Governor and temperance orator, Hon. John P. St. John, will speak to young men on Sunday at 3 o'clock at the Y.M.C.A.

Duck Hunters! We have a rubber boot made specially for you, three pounds to the pair, \$1.00. 60 North Spring.

Ex-Gov. John P. St. John will speak at the Simpson Methodist Episcopal Church Sunday evening, January 13.

Ladies, buy a manicure ticket this week. Six treatments \$2. Weaver & Harris, corner Third and Spring streets.

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Campbell's Curious Curios. See ad.

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The formal opening of the Elysian Park building today promises to be a great success.

There are undelivered telegrams at the Western Union office for Mack D. Robinson, P. H. Kelly, Madam Fabriti Muller.

The Sunday afternoon concert at Westlake Park by the Douglass Military Band will begin at 2 p.m. if the weather is favorable.

Monday, January 2, the postoffice and its branches will close at noon. The money order department will be closed all day. Carriers will make one morning delivery only.

Joseph Burkhardt, of O'Dea & Burkhardt, South Broadway, has purchased the old furniture factory building at Burkhardt and will turn out first-class canary—"long-felt-want" for the time being.

The Sunday school of the Third Presbyterian Church will give their "Joy Bells" Christmas service on Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. Everybody invited. Church at the corner of Hill and Sixteenth streets.

A 110-foot last night a pile of fire was turned up from box 121 for use in a one-story cottage, on Chicago and Fourth streets, owned by Mr. Farnsworth. The house and furniture were valued at \$2500, insured for \$1000. The fire was caused by

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## THE BIEWENDS.

The Divorce Case Finally Argued and Submitted.

A lively fight between the husband and young Crocker, in which the first named was badly battered.

The Biewend divorce case, which has been dragging along before Judge McKinley behind closed doors, for several days past, was finally argued yesterday and submitted.

At 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon a lively little "scrap" took place in the entrance to the Winthrop lodging-house on South Spring street, between H. E. Biewend, the defendant in the suit, and Fred J. Crocker, the young man who has taken considerable interest in the fair plaintiff.

Biewend, who conducts the Winthrop, was coming down stairs when Crocker met him, and the two men at once engaged in a quarrel. Biewend accused Crocker of breaking up his family, etc., and Crocker called him a liar. Crocker followed this remark with a right-hander, landing on Biewend's left eye.

Several other blows were struck, when the men clinched, and Biewend called to Dr. Dickson, who was looking on, to pull Crocker off, as Crocker was chewing his finger.

Biewend then hurried to the Police Court, and swore to a complaint charging Crocker with an assault to commit mayhem.

Justice Austin set the hearing for 4:30 o'clock, and at that hour both parties, accompanied by several attorneys and as many witnesses, put in an appearance.

The story was told by both sides, but as the mayhem evidence was somewhat weak, the Court dismissed the proceedings, and the District Attorney asked to be allowed to draw a complaint charging Crocker with battery.

The second charge will be disposed of this morning.

Mrs. BIEWEND'S EARLY LIFE.

The Fort Wayne (Ind.) Morning Times, of December 5, in which place Mr. and Mrs. Biewend formerly lived, has quite an extended article upon the family history of the pair and their early life. From the account it appears that Mrs. Biewend's is the daughter of one Dr. Bruebach, a former well-known practitioner of Fort Wayne, now deceased.

Genie, as is her given name, was quite popular in her old home, and finally married into one of the oldest families of the city. The young couple, however, did not live happily together and finally separated; after a few years of discord by divorce.

Miss Bruebach remained her maiden name, and shortly afterward removed to Wausau, in the same State, where she engaged in giving music lessons. Society did not seem to be so desirous of cultivating her acquaintance here as it had done in her maidenly days, but by the influence of her bank account, which, by the way, was then quite adequate, she continued to move along among the upper strata of the social sphere with passing success.

At Warsaw it was that she met H. E. Biewend, a brother of Prof. A. C. Biewend of St. Louis, and after a brief courtship was married to him. She then accompanied her husband to St. Louis, and with her own money purchased a jobbing establishment, which, however, failed to prove a success and was sold.

The pair then journeyed westward, stopping at Jamestown, Dak., and Minneapolis before arriving here, where the domestic disruption occurred.

The rest of the story is well known to the readers of THE TIMES.

## PERSONALS.

Dr. Esch, with his wife and mother, Mrs. Wright, from Huron, O., are guests at the Linton.

Maj. A. D. Shaw and wife of South Olive street have returned from a pleasant visit of several weeks at Fresno.

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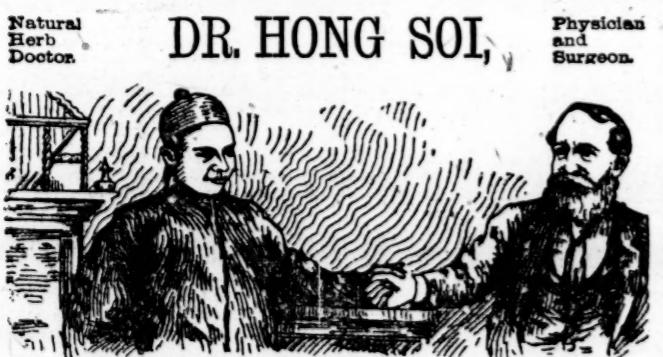
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#### Co-operation Among Fruit-growers.

There is probably no brand of industry to which the principle of co-operation can be so effectively applied as to that of preparing and marketing fruits. The small grower, who depends on marketing his perishable product in a fresh state, for whatever price he can get, runs much risk. A temporary glut in the market or a combination of buyers may reduce his profits to a minimum. By co-operation among a number of small growers it is possible, at very small expense to each, to establish canning and drying works, to grade the fruit, establish a brand which will have a fixed value among buyers, and will sell the product to the best advantage.

Two such "neighborhood associations" are in successful operation in Santa Clara county, and others are being formed in different parts of the State. When enough of these co-operative organizations have been formed in a section, they can affiliate, with a central office, whereby much good may be effected in establishing grades, reaching markets, etc.

It is true that the combination of Southern California orange-growers, known as the "Fruit-Growers' Union," was not successful last year, but this was mainly owing to the demoralized condition of the market. On a previous occasion, several years ago, they succeeded thoroughly in placing the industry on a sound basis. The Riverside orange-growers effected a combination last week under the title of the "Orange-growers' Protective Association." The raisin-growers of the State are also combining as the "California State Raisin-growers' Association." In handling deciduous fruits, olives and lemons, which need preparation for the market, there is more necessity for the application of this principle than in the case of oranges.

In a portion of the State are such movements so feasible as here, in the South, where, within an area of a few miles, may be found hundreds of small, productive tracts. Of course, it must be anticipated that the buyers and commission men will not warmly approve of such methods, but the grower does not exist for the benefit of the middleman. The Times considers this subject one of the most important with which our horticulturists have to deal, and will recur to it from time to time.

#### The Orange Crop.

Unless some unforeseen calamity should occur, the present orange crop of Southern California will far exceed in magnitude that of any previous year. While seedlings are a little light, the navel trees are loaded down as they never were before. The wind of two weeks ago did some damage in portions of the San Gabriel Valley, and there was some damage by frost at Riverside, but the total loss from these two causes will certainly not aggregate more than 4 per cent. of the entire crop, which is variously estimated at from 5000 to 7500 carloads. We incline to the belief that it will be nearer the latter than the former figure, always, of course, providing that there is no further damage from the elements. The crop of last year was a failure, the shipments amounting to about twenty-eight hundred carloads, half of which should never have gone forward. In 1890-91 4600 carloads are reported to have been shipped. A large area of groves planted in 1886 and 1887, which were only just coming into bearing two years ago, are this year bearing heavily, while many thousands of trees planted in 1888 will yield a fair crop, and even the immense planting of 1889 will add something to the total. Add to this the increased yield of groves planted previous to 1886, and the extra heavy yield of all navel trees this season, and it is safe to reckon on an increase of 50 per cent. over 1890-91, which would give 6900 carloads, or, allowing for the damage above referred to, 6250 carloads, which is probably about the number that the present crop will aggregate. If there is any difference, it is more likely to be over than under this figure.

The season was earlier this year than ever before known, the first carload leaving Riverside November 27. Oranges shipped so early are not, however, likely to attract epicures. Little has yet been done in Eastern shipments, most of the oranges sold having gone to northern points. Shipping houses are, so far, generally handling fruit on commission. The Earl Fruit Company reports having paid for 2748 boxes of Riverside navel \$3.50 f.o.b. in Riverside, netting the growers \$2.80 per box, after deducting for boxing and commission; also, for 1027 boxes of Riverside seedlings, an average of \$2.20 per box, netting the growers \$1.67. These are excellent prices for the opening of the season.

It is an encouraging fact that not only is the crop large this year, but the quality is also first-class.

#### The Olive.

There are fashions in fruits, as well as in bonnets. Just now the reigning favorites among Southern California growers appear to be the olive and the lemon. A very large number of each of these varieties will be planted the coming season, the capacity of nurseries being taxed to the utmost. Both these noble fruits are fully worthy of the attention which is being given to them. It is difficult to over-estimate the importance of olive culture. Lands which produce the olive have been proverbially rich. It is this fruit alone which enables Italy to keep its place among the great powers of Europe.

One advantage of olive culture is that the tree will thrive almost anywhere in this section, except on the low, moist

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bottom lands. There are thousands of acres of hill land, at present of little value, which might thus be made to yield a handsome income within a few years.

In this issue John S. Calkins of Pomona, one of the leading olive men of the State, has a few interesting words to say on the subject to Times readers.

#### What to Plant Between Trees.

One of the first problems which confronts the man of small means who plants an orchard in Southern California is what he shall plant between his trees, to yield an income until they are in bearing. Some growers are averse to planting anything, alleging that it injures the trees, but, while the trees are young, the practice is common and permissible, provided fertilization is not neglected and the crop is not planted too near the trees. Many horticulturists in this section cover the expense of cultivation, and make a living besides, from crops thus grown between orchard rows.

The most common crops to grow in this manner are corn, barley, potatoes and berries. Some object to the shade cast by corn on the young trees. Mrs. Strong of Whittier substituted pampas grass for corn in her walnut orchard, with great success. As in most other branches of horticulture, there is much difference of opinion among practical men as to the desirability or otherwise of various crops for this purpose. A Pomona grower says long experience has taught him that pampas grass is injurious when grown between trees, while potatoes, beans, peas, melons, tomatoes, pumpkins and peanuts are to be recommended, especially peanuts. One drawback which this horticulturist forgot to mention, however, is that peanuts, like other root crops, and melons, attract that obnoxious pest, the gopher.

The question is an important one, involving, as it sometimes does, the issue of success or failure on the part of horticulturists who commence with small means. THE TIMES will be glad to hear from those whose experience enables them to throw any interesting light on the subject.

#### Plant Windbreaks.

The damage done to orange groves, in limited sections of the San Gabriel Valley, by the recent windstorm, again emphasizes the great importance of planting windbreaks for citrus orchards. It is evident that we must expect these heavy blows from time to time, and it is best to be prepared for them. They would scarcely be noticed in a region where gales are common, but, coming at a time when the orange trees are loaded with heavy fruit, they are able to accomplish much damage within a few hours, not only by blowing fruit from the trees, but by pricking and bruising much that remains.

Once again it has been shown, on this occasion, that orchards protected by windbreaks escaped with little or no injury. Many horticulturists say they cannot spare the space taken up by a row of eucalyptus trees. The question for them to decide is whether it is better to give up a row of orange trees, or to lose a considerable proportion of their crop every year or two, besides being in much better condition.

Several cars have been completed, and practical trials will be made. If the claims of the inventor are sustained, it will cause a revolution in this class of trade, and will render still more formidable the competition against the Eastern grower. One compensating circumstance is that considerable time must elapse before sufficient cars can be completed to bring large quantities; meanwhile, enterprising growers must be prepared to meet the competition.

one-half that of two-year-olds. I have success in setting out little olive plants two or three inches long, taken from the glass-covered houses and planted out in nursery rows in open ground. When planted the tops are dormant, but the roots are so tender they may be easily shaken off; this work is done during the spring, summer and autumn months. Those planted in spring attain a growth of one to two feet the first year. Olive trees are very slow in starting to grow after being transplanted and the larger the tree the slower the growth. It often happens that large trees do not make a visible growth the first year after removal.

Soil—Trees are bearing equally well in adobe, in clay and in light soils, and it may be assumed that California soils in general are well adapted to olive culture, being rich in lime and potash, two essential constituents, excepting, of course, low wet lands and those strongly impregnated with black alkali. A reliable authority asserts that our soils are so eminently fitted for the purpose that, if the fruit of the olive tree is made into oil and all refuse returned to the land from the outset, it will need no other fertilizer, if the soil is a fairly good one. But if pickles are made, then potash and nitrogen should be applied.

John S. Calkins.

Pomona, December 23, 1892.

#### Cold Storage for Fruit Producers.

[*Brown New Yorker.*]

Great strides have been made in the transportation of perishable products, but greater are imminent. The quantity of California fruit brought East is annually increasing, and the cost decreasing. Recent inventions promise still further reductions. A car recently completed, it is claimed, will not only do the work better, but at less than a quarter the cost of the old refrigerator cars. Ice is used in connection with some patented refrigerant, and it is claimed that three tons of ice will maintain the necessary temperature for a month without further attention after the tanks are filled. The temperature of the car is to be kept at 32° F. and the tank at 10° above zero and the freezing point. Most perishable fruits that are now sent by rail will be able to last for months, and some distance must be picked before fully ripe, and the quality is thereby impaired. This inventor claims that strawberries and equally perishable fruits may be picked in Florida or California when fully ripe, and deposited in our markets in just as good condition as when picked. Salmon are now brought from Oregon and Washington waters, but the expense is often in the neighborhood of ten to twelve cents per pound, while this inventor claims he will be able to lay them down in New York. But, for 2 cents, besides being in much better condition.

There are about twenty million growing deciduous fruit trees in California.

The estimated crop of Italian citrus fruits for this year is 12,500,000 boxes.

Mandarin oranges from Japan have been on sale in Los Angeles during the past week.

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The prune market of this country is largely influenced by the apple crop of the Eastern States. Plenty of dried apples, a low price for prunes, and vice versa.

In France the rule is to propagate prunes from suckers, which is a bad system. Even under this system, however, and in exhausted soils, the life of a prune tree is from 25 to 50 years.

The Northern Citrus Fair will be held in the hall of the Mechanics'

## HOUSE AND LOT.

Real Estate Transfers for the Past Year.

Downward Course of the Market Has Been Arrested.

A Most Encouraging Outlook for the Coming Year.

Selling on the Installment Plan—A Boon to Temple Street—Future of North Main Street—Alameda Street Tracks—Garbage.

The real estate transfers in Los Angeles county for the year 1892, as reported by the Abstract and Title Insurance Company (the last three days of December being estimated), have aggregated \$19,864,219. Deducting a trust deed for \$8,000,000 by the Consolidated Railway Company and another for \$500,000 by the Mount Wilson Railway Company, which do not properly belong to the sales of real estate, there remains a total of \$16,364,219. This is very satisfactory, as showing that the steady decline in sales since the boom year of 1887 has at length been arrested, and that the time of the tide is at hand, indeed. It is already here. The transfers for the past seven years have been as follows: the figures for 1892 being modified as above stated:

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These figures show, in a very clear and interesting manner, the course of the market during the period indicated. The total for 1886 was thought immense at that time. Then came the sudden jump during the crazy year of 1887, to nearly a hundred millions. During the three subsequent years the decline was heavy and steady, ranging from 35 to 50 per cent. By the end of 1890 the market began to show an upward course, during the decline from 1887, to 1891, being less than 10 per cent., while this year the decline is only about 3 per cent. even after deducting the decline above mentioned. Next year we may confidently look to the transfers being again on the upward trend.

Not only are the transfers satisfactory in volume, but also in character. The percentage of new sales to old transactions has been much larger this year than for seven years past. Most of the purchases now made are for improvement, either with residences or business blocks.

Inside business property is strong, there being a number of buyers in the market for anything that offers, at a little less than the current rate. It is also noticeable that there is a marked inquiry of late for property in general, which is an encouraging sign. Until recently agents complained that there was scarcely any inquiry even for cheap property. That is no longer the case.

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The territory north of Temple street still remains "in the dumps." Main street presenting a more than usually forlorn appearance since the Wells-Fargo office and the Los Angeles Furniture Company moved further south. The future of this street, from Temple street north, which was in the heart of business seven years ago, is a puzzle to many. It is probable that it will follow the course of Lake street in Chicago, which, forty years ago, was the finest retail street in that city, but is now devoted chiefly to classes of light manufacturers which need little machinery. Such business is attracted to a locality by low rents.

Hill residence property is still kept back by lack of ready communication and poor water. The electric railroad has done some good in the neighborhood of First street, which promises to be a fine thoroughfare some day, especially if a hole shall be cut through the big hill, which stands like a monument to municipal imbecility in the center of a large city. Temple street, which was a flourishing street during the boom, and promised to become a great residence thoroughfare, has fallen into a state of innumerable desuetude, from various causes, one of the chief of which has been the expense of getting to, almost any part of the city, two fares being needed. The Times is informed that, commencing tomorrow, the Pacific Railway Company (cable system) and the Main street and Agricultural Park line will make transfers with the Temple street road at one fare. This will doubtless fill a number of houses now empty on the northwestern hills.

A feature of the real estate market, which is becoming more common here as the business gets down to a solid basis, is the selling of houses and lots on easy monthly installments, a moderate cash payment being usually required. At present, the class of houses thus offered, are not generally the most desirable, but before long this system will doubtless be extended to include all classes of residence in the large cities of the East, where a man can pick out a lot, have any kind of house built on it, and pay for both in easy installments. Another branch of this system, which has reached greater extension in Central and Northern California than hereabouts, is the selling of small tracts of land, planted to fruit trees and cared for until in bearing, on easy installments, to city residents with a regular income, who thus secure a probable home to which they may return after a few years. Several enterprises of this character in Fresno, Merced, Tehama, and other northern counties have been successful, and it is difficult to see why Southern California, which led the way in this direction with Anaheim, should have lagged so far behind. A tract has lately been laid out in the San Bernardino citrus belt, which is being planted to lemon and orange trees, and offered, in ten-acre tracts, on monthly installments, to men who continue at their occupations in cities while the trees are coming into bearing. There is no doubt that the more general adoption of such a system as this would give us a dozen more Anaheims within a few years. There are thousands of people in our cities who can spare little every month, and who, in view of the small productive country houses, are but debarred by lack of the necessary means and experience. Meanwhile, the small sums which would have purchased them an insurance against anxiety in old age are often trifled away.

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Seventh street comes a proposition to change the name of the street to "Westlake avenue." This is undoubtedly destined to be, among the east and west streets, what Grand avenue and Figueroa streets are to the streets running north and south.

A knotty problem which the incoming Council will have to wrestle with is the request of the Southern Pacific Company for permission to double track Alameda street. The property-owners on that street are up in arms, declaring that the change would ruin the street altogether. It is said that some real-estate men have been forced from active opposition under the threat that, failing permission to double track, the company would remove the switches now on the street. It certainly seems a pity that this, the only north and south street in Los Angeles running the full length of the city, and almost in its geographical center, should be degraded to the purpose of a railroad track. The natural place for a track appears to be alongside the river, where the Santa Fe and Terminal companies spent large sums of money for the privilege of locating, while the Southern Pacific not only received a big subsidy to come here, but also appropriated leading thoroughfares, which go much to the "leave." The ordinance granting them permission not having been passed until three years after the tracks were laid. As the section east of Alameda street and Boyle Heights settles up the inconvenience of such a four-mile switching yard in the heart of the city will become more apparent. As an offset, there is the offer of the company to remove its track from San Pedro street, which will certainly be an advantage to that section.

The Times has been requested, by several disgruntled property owners, to call attention to the nasty and ridiculous practice of removing garbage in the day time, a practice which would scarcely be tolerated in a third-class village of Borrioboola Gha or Mission. The transfers for the past seven years have been as follows: the figures for 1892 being modified as above stated:

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## BUSINESS.

## FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

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